

APPROVED: Meeting No. 12-90

ATTEST: *Sharon A. Gran*

MAYOR AND COUNCIL
ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND
Meeting No. 11-90

March 19, 1990

The Mayor and Council of Rockville, Maryland, convened in Public Hearing in the Council Chamber, Rockville City Hall, Maryland Avenue at Vinson Street, Rockville, Maryland, on March 19, 1990, at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT

Mayor Douglas M. Duncan

Councilmember James F. Coyle

Councilmember Viola D. Hovsepien

Councilmember James T. Marrinan

Councilmember David Robbins

In attendance: City Manager Bruce Romer, City Clerk Sharon Gran and City Attorney Paul Glasgow.

Re: Public Hearing: Permit Parking
on Hardwicke Place, including
all homes between 1 and 21
Hardwicke Place.

The Mayor and Council conducted a Public Hearing on the petition to approve Permit Parking on Hardwicke Place. If approved, this parking zone will replace the current 9:00 a.m. to noon school-day parking prohibition with the standard permit parking hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Mayor and Council heard all those persons whose names can be found in the official stenographic transcript. There being no other persons wishing to be heard, the Mayor closed the hearing with the record to be left open until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 23, 1990.

Re: Public Hearing: Permit Parking
on James Spring Court,
including all homes between
2 and 13 James Spring Court
and 1829 Greenplace Terrace

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as to its frontage on James
Spring Court only.

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Re: Public Hearing: Permit Parking
on Leyton Court, including all
homes between 2 and 12 Leyton
Court and 2306 Sherbrooke Way
as to its frontage on Leyton
Court only.

The Mayor and Council conducted a Public Hearing on the petition to approve Permit Parking on Leyton Court. If approved, this parking zone will replace the current 9:00 a.m. to noon school-day parking prohibition with the standard permit parking hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The Mayor and Council heard all those persons whose names can be found in the official stenographic transcript. There being no other persons wishing to be heard, the Mayor closed the hearing with the record to be left open until 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 23, 1990.

Re: Public Hearing: Disposition
of Parcel 1-B, Mid-City Urban
Renewal Project.

The Mayor and Council conducted a hearing on a proposal that approximately 21,000 square feet of City-owned land located on East Middle Lane be transferred to N. Richard Kimmel in exchange for a 20-year lease to house Rockville Arts Place in the One-Stop Shopping Center. The Mayor and Council heard all those persons whose names can be

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found in the official stenographic transcript. There being no other persons wishing to be heard, the Mayor closed the hearing with the record to be left open for two weeks, until April 2, 1990.

Re: Public Hearing: Disposition
of Lot 18, Block 5, Plat Book
71, Plat 6774, Lincoln Park
(114 Frederick Avenue),
Rockville, Maryland.

The Mayor and Council conducted a hearing on a proposal that 114 Frederick Avenue, the site of the former "Red Barn," be transferred to Montgomery Habitat for Humanity, Inc. to be developed as a single-family house to be purchased by a low-income family from the Lincoln Park community. The Mayor and Council heard all those persons whose names can be found in the official stenographic transcript. There being no other person wishing to be heard, the Mayor closed the hearing with the record to be left open for two weeks, until April 2, 1990.

Re: Public Hearing: Annexation
Petition X-107-89, Joseph A.
Lynott, attorney for Jimmy
and Jeannette Johnson,
Petitioners.

The Mayor and Council conducted a public hearing on Annexation Petition X-107-89, request for annexation into the City of Rockville and R-S zoning of a 68,703 square foot parcel located at the southeast corner of Wescott Place and Scott Drive. The Mayor and Council heard all those persons whose names can be found in the official stenographic transcript. There being no other person wishing to be heard, the Mayor closed the hearing with the record to be left open for two weeks, until April 2, 1990.

Re: Public Hearing: Annexation
Petition X-108-89, Joseph A.
Lynott, attorney for Ward
Corporation, Petitioner.

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The Mayor and Council conducted a public hearing on Annexation Petition X-108-89, request for annexation into the City of Rockville of three contiguous parcels located between Southlawn Lane and the Redgate Golf Course. The parcels are proposed to be placed in the I-1 and R-S Zones upon annexation. The Mayor and Council heard all those persons whose names can be found in the official stenographic transcript. There being no other person wishing to be heard, the Mayor closed the hearing with the record to be left open for 30 days, until April 18, 1990.

Re: Public Hearing: Map Amendment
Application M-57-90, Mayor and
Council of Rockville,
Applicant.

The Mayor and Council conducted a public hearing on Map Amendment Application M-57-90, to place the Rockville Civic Center mansion and surrounding grounds in a single-unit historic district under the jurisdiction of the Rockville Historic District Commission. The Mayor and Council heard all those persons whose names can be found in the official stenographic transcript. There being no other person wishing to be heard, the Mayor and Council continued the hearing until May 21, 1990, at 7:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as it may be heard, in the Council Chamber, Rockville City Hall.

Re: Public Hearing: Text Amendment
Application T-104-90, Rockville
Planning Commission, Applicant.

The Mayor and Council conducted a Public Hearing on Text Amendment Application T-104-90, amendments to various sections of the Zoning Ordinance dealing with definitions, uses, development standards and parking requirements. The Mayor and Council heard all those persons whose names can be found in the official stenographic transcript. There being no other person wishing to be heard, the Mayor closed the hearing with the record to be left open for two weeks, until April 2, 1990.

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Re: Citizens' Forum

At this time, the Mayor opened the meeting to hear from any citizen who wished to address the Mayor and Council. There being no citizens wishing to address the Mayor and Council, the Mayor closed the Citizens' Forum portion of the meeting.

Re: FYI/Correspondence

Regarding the Town Center traffic analysis project, Councilmember Marrinan inquired as to the time frame. The City Manager responded that a timetable would be forwarded this week. Councilmember Robbins asked if the information to be provided would also include an indication of the costs for the contract, and the City Manager responded in the affirmative.

With respect to the Watts Branch Traffic Task Force, Mayor Duncan requested a list of the Task Force members.

Mayor Duncan asked why the City has not yet received a response from the State regarding the left-turn light at Route 355 and Church Street, and staff was requested to ask the State to expedite this request.

Re: New Business

Following up on discussions during Citizens' Forum last week with respect to the City providing information on the Tower Oaks project, Councilmember Coyle stated that he had subsequently received a couple of phone calls regarding this matter. He expressed concern with the need to be forthcoming with information and to follow-up with citizens. The City Manager indicated that responses had been provided to the citizens; however, the information they were seeking involved draft plans which normally are not sent out because of potential confusion.

The Mayor and Council requested that, when ready, the final plans be forwarded to them for approval prior to submission to the State.

With respect to the Christ Episcopal Church's drainage area, Councilmember

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Coyle indicated that it is still a dangerous situation.

Councilmember Coyle noted that he will be passing information onto the City Manager regarding suggestions for following through in the formation of a Task Force on Sprinkler Retrofitting. It was agreed that the matter would be scheduled for discussion at the April 2 meeting.

A status report on the meeting staff held with the homeowners associations was requested by Councilmember Coyle. A preliminary report has been provided, and it was agreed that a more detailed report would be forthcoming.

Councilmember Robbins commented on the recycling effort, noting that more information is required as to how to recycle newspapers, etc. The City Manager responded that there is a large public information effort underway, including a series of articles in Rockville Reports in a question and answer format. Additionally, another mailing in the form of an informal brochure is going out to every home, and suggestions for further communication are always appreciated.

The question of a public hearing on the amendments to the Human Rights Ordinance was raised by Mayor Duncan. It was agreed by the Mayor and Council that a hearing on this matter would be scheduled for April 16.

Mayor Duncan indicated that it had become apparent following the incident at Richard Montgomery, that there is no readily available laundry list of what should be done in these situations. He suggested that a committee be formed to determine how to deal with hate/violence situations and to explore such issues with the school system and county officials. The Council agreed that the formation of such a committee should be pursued.

Mayor Duncan indicated that there is confusion as to whether the new smoking ordinance passed by Montgomery County is effective in the City of Rockville, and requested that the public be notified that the ordinance is in effect in the City.

The house next door to the community center in Lincoln Park is for sale. Mayor Duncan noted that this would be an ideal location for a police substation and that a move from the Rockville Housing Authority to Frederick Avenue would provide more visibility. He requested that staff explore the feasibility of the City purchasing this house and bring forward recommendations to the Mayor and Council at the meeting on April 2.

Re: Executive Session

Upon motion of Councilmember Marrinan, duly seconded and unanimously passed, the Mayor and Council convened in Executive Session at 10:00 p.m. to discuss personnel matters and consult with legal counsel.

Re: Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 p.m., to convene again in General Session at 7:30 p.m. on March 26, 1990, or at the call of the Mayor.